

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 4, before the paragraph beginning on line 11, insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 16 with the following:

In accordance with the invention, this objective is achieved by determining a total driving torque for all drives from the normal force of the driven support rolls and proportionately

transmitting it to each support roll, and by using a static base setting of the torque distribution as the basis for the specific load capacity of each drive support roll. On the one hand, this prevents unnecessary racing of the drive support rolls. On the other hand, it guarantees that the maximum possible driving torque can actually be transmitted to the cast strand by the drive rolls. In addition, roll wear is significantly reduced. The method can be used not only in conventional strand support roll segments with a separately adjustable drive support roll but also in support roll segments with the drive roll integrated in the top frame ~~(CyberLink-segments)~~, in a pure drive by means of driving rolls, and in mixed forms of drive variants.

Page 8, before the paragraph beginning on line 16, insert the following heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING:

Page 9, before the paragraph beginning on line 1, insert the following heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION:

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Please delete the original Abstract and, after the last page of the application, add the Abstract of the Disclosure which is attached hereto on a separate sheet.